

**Bay St. Louis Police Department
1 March -31 March 2013**

Synthetic Drugs: We have received several complaints concerning juveniles using and purchasing synthetic drugs, most commonly know as SKYSCRAPER, SPICE, and BATH SALTS. This trend has been going on in the entire county. The Hancock County Sheriff's Department and the Bay St. Louis Police Department working together in a joint Narcotics Task Force, have been investigating all the complaints. A result of the investigation enabled us to seized large a quantities of the products. We are advising parents, if they suspect their children is purchasing or using any type of these products to contact us immediately. These products when used illegally are dangerous, and can cause major medical problems for the users.

There are several stores that sell these products and they feel they are selling a product that is not dangerous or illegal, because it has not been determined to be so. Our State Law lists Chemical Compounds that are in the product that have been declared illegal. The manufacture of the produce will change up the Chemical Compounds then that product does not fall in the category of being illegal until it tested and added to the list of illegal compounds.

This is a continuing battle we are fighting to permanently remove any and all of these products from being sold, in Mississippi. If you find any evidence of usage such as empty bags of the product, items such as glass or brass pipes used to smoke it, contact us immediately. Again our joint task force investigates all reported incidents, are working to stop the threat these products are causing.

For Information on Synthetic Drugs go to BING SEARCH enter synthetic marijuana , open site titled "Images of synthetic marijuana" this will show you pictures of the product and you can open the tabs and find out the effects , and the dangers associated with it.

Contact Numbers:

Chief De Nardo Bay St Louis	228-466-5476
Sheriff Adam , Hancock County Sheriff	228-466-6900
Joint Narcotics Task Force	228-466-6900
	(Narcotics)

The following activity is reported during the month of March 2013:

Calls for service	640
Reports written	318
Traffic citations issued	69
Arrests:	
Warrants	16
Assault	3
Assault Domestic	3
Disorder Conduct	1
Public Drunk	3
Driving impaired	2
Shoplifting	2
Aggravated child abuse	2